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MRS. VICTOR HALL HELD FOR MURDER

She Is Charged With Killing
Her Husband at Green
Springs Home.

BENCH WARRANT IS ISSUED

Arrest Follows Second Attempt
to Burn Her Store and
Dwelling.



MRS. VICTOR HALL.

BY A. B. W. MACKINTOSH.
Louisville, Va., May 14.—Mrs. Victor Hall, forty-four years old, was arrested at her home at Green Springs at 1:30 o'clock to-night on the charge of shooting her husband to death on the morning of April 15. Suddenly, after 5 o'clock this afternoon, the grand jury issued upon an indictment of Mrs. Hall. The papers were not to have been sent until tomorrow morning, and simple preparations had been made to take the woman into custody. An hour after the grand jury adjourned, Judge Shackelford was informed by Joseph Hall, her brother, that Mrs. Hall had been told to burn down the Hall home and store, and he said that all evidence tended to show that Mrs. Hall had been the torchbearer.

JUDGE IMMEDIATELY ISSUES BENCH WARRANT

Judge Shackelford immediately issued a bench warrant for Mrs. Hall's arrest. Sheriff Wash and Deputy Sheriff Grace were rushed to the scene in automobiles. Newspaper men sent here to report the grand jury proceedings, went ahead of the officers, and were present when the door of the law reached out for Mrs. Hall.

HAS NO CONFIDENCE IN ACTION OF JURY

"I think this is an outrage," said Mr. Gordon. "There is absolutely no evidence against this woman. I have no confidence in the action of the grand jury in preparing an indictment against her. This woman, Your Honor, is no more guilty than yourself, the Commonwealth's attorney, or I. I consider her arrested on a charge, Your Honor. I ask that she be placed in the custody of her father-in-law, N. W. Hall."

Judge Shackelford nodded his dissent, and Mr. Gordon then asked that his client be taken to the Louisville Hotel, a local hostelry, in the custody of her brother and Sheriff Dowdy, and Sheriff Wash, she was taken to the hotel, where, as the hotel was already crowded, special arrangements had to be made for her.

When asked for a statement afterwards, Mr. Gordon said, "I consider the whole affair an outrage. There is absolutely no evidence against this woman, and I shall prove it. You may say for me that I shall fight the case to a finish. Mrs. Hall is as innocent as you or I, and when the case comes to trial I shall prove it to the satisfaction of the whole country. They had to find a victim, and they settled upon Mrs. Hall. It will all come out in the trial."

STATE WILL OPPOSE

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FUNERAL OF CHARLES W. POST

Entire Population of Battle Creek Pays
Respects to the Memory of Dead.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Battle Creek, Mich., May 14.—Escorted by 1,000 employees, men and women, the body of Charles W. Post was carried to its last resting place in Oak Hill Cemetery this afternoon. Every store in the city was closed, streets were stopped running, factories shut down and the entire population of 30,000 either went to the Independent Congregational Church, where the services were held, or lined the streets through which the cortege passed. As the funeral party entered the church, led by Rev. Thornton Anthony Mills, an old English hymn, "The Church of the Living God," was sung. Mr. Mills reading Psalms, while Professor Edwin Barnes played the Chopin funeral march.

The funeral oration was delivered by a cousin of the dead man, Rev. Oswald Post, of Jacksonville, Ill.

Rev. Frederick H. Bolman, former pastor of the church, uttered a prayer, which, with a rendition of "One Sweet Solemn Thought," by Mrs. C. S. Gordine, soprano, and "Crossing the Bar," by a male quartet, completed the service.

C. & O. PROFIT \$1,128,176

Kanawha & Michigan Stock to Be Sold
to Lake Shore and Michigan Southern.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
New York, May 14.—The Chesapeake and Ohio has agreed to sell its holdings of \$6,225,000 of Kanawha and Michigan Railway Company stock to the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern at a price which will give the former company a profit of \$1,128,176.

Disposition of the stock is in compliance with the order of the United States District Court in the anti-trust suit brought by the government to dissolve relations between the Chesapeake and Ohio, the Lake Shore, and the Kanawha and Michigan.

If the sale is approved by the court the appeal taken from the decision will be dismissed, according to an announcement by the Chesapeake and Ohio interests today.

Lake Shore agreed to pay \$100 a share for the Kanawha stock, which was purchased for \$72 a share. The Chesapeake and Ohio in 1910, making a profit of \$28 a share for the Chesapeake and Ohio.

WHITE URGES ACCURACY

Honest Newspaper Men in Danger From
Reckless Editors and Reporters.

Louisville, Ky., May 14.—The honest newspaper men of the country are in danger from the reckless editors and reporters who habitually distort the truth, Isaac B. White, of New York World, told the editors at the National Newspaper Conference at the University of Kansas today. White discussed the legal restraint that is being proposed in several States, and in conclusion, answered his own question, "What can we do to save the situation?"

"We should let our readers know we want to be accurate. Invite them to point out errors. Correct them. Notify all newspapers to make special effort in the direction of accuracy and fair play."

Frank Leroy Blanchard, of New York City, editor of the Editor and Publisher, discussing "Community Service," urged his hearers "to make good in their opportunity to serve their community."

IN HONOR OF GAILLARD

South Carolina Club Women Want
Name of Gaillard Cut Changed.

Spartanburg, S. C., May 14.—The South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs today adopted a resolution calling on President Wilson to change the name of Gaillard Cut in honor of the late Colonel David G. Gaillard of South Carolina, "who, in the resolution says, 'gave his life to the successful completion of this great triumph of engineering skill.'"

The Federation elected officers as follows: President, Mrs. J. W. Allen, Spartanburg; S. C. first vice-president, Mrs. E. F. Anderson, second vice-president, Mrs. James Coker, Hartsville; recording secretary, Mrs. Thomas S. Sloan, Charleston; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. E. Elche, Marietta; treasurer, Miss Rosa B. Cooley, St. Helena Island; auditor, Mrs. J. L. Barlow, Bennettsville.

Bennettsville was selected as the place for next year's convention.

SHRINERS LEAVE ATLANTA

Munty Go on Special Trains to Savannah
for Day of Sightseeing.

Atlanta, Ga., May 14.—Members of the Imperial Council of the Shrine, who have just completed its annual meeting here, left to-night for Savannah, Ga., where they will spend to-morrow sightseeing there. Many of the council members were accompanied by their families. Special trains continued to leave here today, carrying homeward the thousands of pilgrims who came to the city of the week. Frederick R. Smith, of Rochester, N. Y., the newly elected Imperial High Priest, and William W. Irwin, of Wheeling, W. Va., past Imperial High Priest, today made public statements to the press, and the local temple of Shriner and the public for the reception given the meeting.

FOR SUCCESS OF MEDIATION

Prayers Requested in Methodist Episcopal Churches on Sunday, May 17.

Washington, May 14.—Prayers for the success of the mediation, composing the Mexican Revolution, were requested in all Methodist Episcopal Churches on Sunday, May 17, in a communion service, and the following to-day by Earl Cranston, senior bishop of the church.

In his pastoral charge, Bishop Cranston called upon district superintendents and pastors of the church "to pray publicly to bear the government desire to mediate, and to announce to the people to pray in private for the Divine blessing upon the efforts of the mediators."

BRADLEY DECIDES TO QUIT

Kentucky Senator Will Not Be Candidate for Re-Election.

Washington, May 14.—Senator Bradley, of Kentucky, Republican to-night announced that ill health and inability to bear the hardships of a campaign compelled him to announce that he will not be a candidate for re-election. He is serving his first term, which ends next March.

Senator Gallinger, leader of the minority, and oldest Senator in point of continuous service, is expected to announce whether he will be a candidate. Many of his friends believe he has decided to make the race.

MEAGRE DETAILS OF TAMPOCO FIGHT

Violent Electrical Storm in Vicinity Renders Wireless Almost Unusable.

FOREIGN MINES TO BE SEIZED

Unless Americans and Others
Return, Will Be Operated for
Benefit of Mexicans.

Vera Cruz, May 14.—A violent electrical storm in the vicinity of Tampico rendered the wireless almost unusable, and meagre details of the capture of the city evacuated by the Federals yesterday were received here today.

The plight of the soldiers under General Zaragoza, last received here, San Luis Potosi, is said to be by those who know the country, as extremely dangerous.

It was received to-day that the warring of the Constitutionalist leader, General Caballero, of his intention to attack Tampico with artillery was given to the commander of the British cruiser Hornum May 14. Foreigners immediately began to go aboard ships. It was reported that only a few Americans remained.

NEW PHASES IN SITUATION

Capture of Tampico by Rebels Adds
New Problems to Be Solved.

Washington, May 14.—Tampico's fall, enlarging the Constitutionalist sphere of control, and giving them a seaport through which munitions of war may be directly imported, injected into the Mexican situation to-day new phases to occupy the attention of official Washington. The last conference of the South American mediators, was held and later it was announced that one of the envoys, Ambassador Da Gama, would start for Niagara Falls by way of New York to-morrow. Minister Naon will leave to-morrow night, and Minister Suarez on Saturday.

The latest word to the State Department from the Huerta delegates was that they would reach Key West to-day.

Interest to-day centered on Tampico, and the vigorous prosecution of the Constitutionalist campaign southward. The American government already had begun representations to the Constitutionalist to secure protection for American and other foreign operatives returning to the oil wells; American warships have gone to the Tancitaro River, to their old stations before the town. At the mouth of the River are the Federal gunboats, with a part of the Federal Garrison.

The captains of the ships have asked for an interview with Rear-Admiral Mayo, which was granted, but its purpose has not been divulged.

SHIPPING OF AMMUNITION

Discussion to-day centered chiefly on the question of shipping arms and ammunition through Tampico, as the Constitutionalist are short and wish to avail themselves of the first opportunity to replenish their stock. Arms were prevented from reaching the Constitutionalist through the embargo which was replaced by President Wilson some time ago.

At San Antonio, another west coast port, no effort has been made to prevent arms from reaching Huerta, and the belief was general here to-day that the Constitutionalist would have no difficulty in importing munitions through Tampico in any quantity.

The presence of the Huerta gunboats in Tampico harbor, after evacuation by the Federals, has led to the conjecture that the rebels will be using the port. It is believed that with the purpose of learning whether Admiral Mayo would respect such a blockade the commanders of the Federal gunboats asked for a conference. Naval experts here agreed that so long as the Federal commanders are able to make this blockade really effective, it must be a serious foreign shipping. The rejection of an effective blockade by a belligerent does not, it is held, involve political recognition of either party to the strife.

LOBO ISLAND INCIDENT AS CLOSED

The State Department regards the
Lobo Island Lighthouse Incident as closed.

Secretary Bryan to-day acquitted of any blame. Lieutenant-Commander Jeffers, of the destroyer Fanning, who gave the lightkeeper a certificate that he had taken possession of the lighthouse by force.

It was a Mexican and not a Norwegian vessel from which shots were fired against Americans at Vera Cruz, for which incident five South American sailors were arrested, according to a report from General Fanning to Secretary Bryan to-day. The case under consideration is interesting the State Department exceedingly.

The disappearance of John R. Silliman, the missing American who was killed at Saltillo, and Samuel Parks, the American orderly executed by Federals near Vera Cruz also has been taken up.

The Secretary of State is giving much attention to the proposed importation of arms through Tampico by the Constitutionalist. Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, and Mr. Van Rieppel, the Holland Minister, after a long conference at the State Department, expressed satisfaction over the outcome of the meeting.

It is understood that satisfaction was expressed in the meeting as to the safety of workmen and tanks at the removal of the present danger of foreign complications on that score.

ADMIRAL MAYO AND FLEET

Admiral Mayo has returned with his
fleet to the Tancitaro River, although it was made plain that he was not to land any marines or to assert any control whatever over Tampico.

It was said at the department that he had not asked for or received any instructions regarding the admission of arms into the port.

Another phase of the situation which attracted much attention was the capture of the Constitutionalist, because of demands made by the foreigners to the rebels in their capacity of governing bodies.

The Spanish ambassador has a bill to present for \$2,000,000 for property alleged to have been confiscated by the Constitutionalist. Enforced loans furnish cause for other demands.

The case of William S. Benton, the

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THOUSANDS ENROLL IN FIGHT FOR LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT

THE TRUMPETER



MELLEN BEGINS RECITAL OF HIS AMAZING STORY

Former President of New Haven Re-
sponds Readily to Fusillade
of Questions.

PROMISES TO HIDE NOTHING
Offers to Place at Disposal of Com-
mission Every Scrap of Paper Re-
lating to Road's Transactions.

Washington, May 14.—Cool, composed and, matter of fact, responding readily and concisely to the fusillade of questions put to him, former President Charles S. Mellen, of New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, to-day began before the Interstate Commerce Commission what is believed to be one of the most amazing stories ever told in the history of high finance.

Mr. Mellen, placed on the stand over the emphatic protest of Attorney-General Clegg, is the principal witness in the proceeding through which the Interstate Commerce Commission, by direction of the United States Senate, is endeavoring to develop the facts concerning the deal in the stock of the New Haven and its subsidiaries, as well as of the much-discussed Billard Company. He promised, both personally and through his counsel, to place at the disposal of the commission every fact and "every scrap of paper with a New Haven mark on it," relating to the transactions with which he had to do as president of the New Haven system.

It was evident that Mr. Mellen was anxious to tell his story. He had indicated his desire in letters heretofore produced in the pending inquiry, in which he said he was tired of bearing the brunt of the criticism heaped upon him for the New Haven transactions, and that, if blame attached to them, he proposed to put the blame where it belonged.

RESPONDS TO INQUIRIES

As he seated himself in the high-backed cathedral chair, he turned quickly to Chief Counsel Joseph W. Folk. Mr. Mellen is bald and his face has the appearance of parchment. Beneath the closely-cropped gray mustache is a mouth drawn in firm, almost hard, lines.

His eyes are keen and his glance direct. He responded to all inquiries promptly, and at times emphatically. His answers disclosed, too, a sense of humor, some of his responses provoking outbursts of laughter.

Mr. Mellen was on the witness stand to-day only a little more than an hour, but before the opening of the hearing, he had served with a new subpoena, which covered much more ground than that originally served upon him. The new one called for the production of all documents or papers in possession of Mr. Mellen that related in any way to the operations of the New Haven and all of its subsidiaries. Although he had brought to Washington several trunks full of papers and books, he did not have all which the commission wanted.

To enable him, therefore, to return to New England for the desired documents and also to afford the attorneys

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RECORD OF FIRST TRIAL

The witness could not deny this in-
formation, as it formed a part of the record of the first trial. Mr. Manton

agreed with more or less success to get from Webber statements that the whole gambling crew which had moved from the East Side to another district was in a savage quarrel with

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TREMLES UNDER FIRE OF CROSS-EXAMINATION

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